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Dear Mr. Michael,

Accompanying are various tapes you desired.

a,b) symbolic ("English") of Harmony Compiler Phase 1
and Phase 2

c,d,e) Compiler INTERMEDIATE tapes for Bach's Trio Sonatas
nos. 1, 3, and 4

f) binary tape of Trio Sonata no. 2

Note that the intermediate tapes are each in three movements to be batch-compiled. I chose to send intermediate tapes because they are the shortest form of the information and hence least error-prone; the one binary Sonata is included in case you have trouble with the Compiler.

Section I.D.9 has been generated for the Compiler Blurp.

I.D.9. tempo. The tempo of a piece may be expressed to the
Compiler by the command "tempo", followed by a number computed as follows:

$$n = \frac{2930}{mf}$$

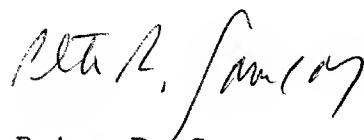
where m is Maälzel's metronome count for a f note:

i.e. if $m=60$, then $m=60$ and $f=1/4$; or $m=110$ means $m=110$, $f=3/16$. The number n may not be larger than 682. The tempo may be changed at any point in the music; it will be taken $=170$ if none is given. A "tempo" command appearing in any voice will be applied to all voices; hence only one line used need contain tempo information.

I would very much enjoy receiving copies of any interesting music tapes you produce, and information as your "eyeball" project develops; and feel free to contact me if you have trouble

with the Music System. It will be a point with me to send you the remaining Trio Sonatas (nos. 5 and 6) as they are prepared, as well as revisions and improvements of the Compiler and its writeup.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Peter R. Samson". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Peter R. Samson